

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The specification has been amended to correct some inadvertent and typographical errors including the proper spelling of "tripropionate". There has been no change in substance and no new matter is involved.

Claims 3, 4, 12, 13, 30 and 33 have been amended to correct some inadvertent and typographical errors including the proper spelling of "tripropionate" and the proper definition of "Q" as correctly shown on pages 2 and 13 of the specification. Also, Claims 9 and 18 have been amended to recite the limitation "the aliphatic amine compound" for which there is proper antecedent basis in Claims 3 and 12, respectively. There has been no change in substance and no new matter is involved.

In response to the Examiner's rejection of Claim 22 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite, Applicants submit herewith a copy of U.S. Patent No. 3,445,234 which, starting at line 64 in column 7, provides a detailed list of the class of leuco dyes identified therein as "aminohydrocinnamic acids (cyanoethanes, leuco methines)". Note, the '234 patent is identified in the present specification on page 6, at lines 1 through 2, for a description of such materials. Additionally, Applicants note that the term "aminohydrocinnamic acids (cyanoethanes, leuco methines)" is found in U.S. Patent No. 4,981,769 at column 4, lines 49 through 50, U.S. Patent No. 4,985,331 at column 5, line 1, and in U.S. Patent No. 5,389,489 at column 6, lines 9 through 10. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that Claim 22 does particularly point out and distinctly claim the invention, and therefore is not indefinite.

Claims 1, 29 and 32 have been amended to recite the limitation contained in Claim 19, namely that the dye forming composition on the first surface of the substrate comprises at least one photoreducible quinone. Support for a dye forming composition comprising at least one photoreducible quinone is found in the specification on page 4, beginning at line 35, and continuing to page 5, line 2.

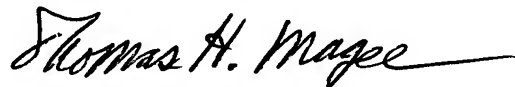
In view of the amendments to Claims 1, 29 and 32, the rejection of such claims as being anticipated by Ricoh Co. (94:217579) or Ricoh KK (Derwent-Acc-No: 1981-10444D) or Taniguchi et al. (Pat-No: JP355/56938A), under 35 U.S.C. 102(b), is respectfully traversed. These references neither disclose nor suggest the inclusion of any quinone in the dye forming composition. Quinones are used in at least some of the cited references in the coating for the opposite side of the substrate, the coating for the opposite side corresponding to the non-dye forming composition of the present invention as recited in Claims 1, 29 and 32. Since none of the cited references teaches or suggests the presence of a photoreducible quinone in the dye

forming composition as now recited in Claims 1, 29 and 32, it is respectfully submitted that the invention defined in Claims 1, 29 and 32 is not anticipated by the cited references, and that such claims are patentable over these references.

The remaining rejected claims are dependent from Claims 1, 29 or 32, and therefore incorporate the patentable novelty of such claims. Therefore, the allowance of the rejected dependent claims appears to be in order for at least the reasons given with respect to Claims 1, 29 and 32.

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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